

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information comprising the steps of:

    parsing input source information into elements;  
    identifying an element as a source placeable element by predetermined criteria based on the content of the element according to a rule-based query; and  
    converting at least a portion of said source placeable element into a target placeable element.

Claim 2 (Original) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the step of:

    determining a source locale.

Claim 3 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 2, further comprising the step of:

    applying a source placeable identifier to determine a type of said source placeable element.

Claim 4 (Original) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the step of:

determining a target locale.

Claim 5 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

designating a type of said source placeable element;

applying a target placeable converter to convert said type of said source placeable element.

Claim 6 (Original) A method for processing source information according to claim 2, further comprising the step of:

applying said source locale to determine said element by type.

Claim 7 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the step of:

converting said source placeable element into a language-independent format.

Claim 8 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether said source placeable element is a proper noun;

placing said source placeable element directly into a target output.

Claim 9 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether said source placeable element is a date;

converting said date into a target information according to a target locale information.

Claim 10 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether said source placeable element is a proper noun;

converting said source placeable element into a language independent format.

Claim 11 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether said source placeable element is a proper noun;

converting said source placeable element into a meta-representation.

Claim 12 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether said source placeable element is a date;

converting said source placeable element into a language independent format.

Claim 13 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
determining whether said source placeable element requires conversion.

Claims 14-15 (Cancelled)

Claim 16 (Original) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
determining output requirement for conversions.

Claim 17 (Previously presented) A computer driven language processing system for processing source information comprising:

a parser;

an element identifier, connected to an output of said parser;

a type designator, connected to an output of said element identifier; and

a placeable converter,

wherein the element identifier identifies an element as a source placeable element by predetermined criteria based on the content of the element according to a rule-based query.

Claim 18 (Previously presented) A computer driven language processing system for processing source information comprising:

a parser for parsing source information into elements;  
an element identifier identifying placeable elements by a predetermined criteria  
based on the content of the elements according to a rule-based query;  
a type designator for designating said placeable elements by type; and  
a placeable converter.

Claims 19-21 (Cancelled)

Claim 22 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information  
according to claim 1, wherein converting at least a portion of said source placeable  
element requires a calculation for converting a source currency into a target currency, said  
calculation for converting is automatic.

Claim 23 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information  
according to claim 1, wherein converting at least a portion of said source placeable  
element requires a mathematical calculation, said mathematical calculation is automatic.

Claim 24 (Previously presented) A method for processing source information  
comprising the steps of:

parsing input source information into elements;  
identifying a source placeable element by predetermined criteria based on the  
content of the source placeable element according to a rule-based query; and

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calculating at least a portion of said source placeable element into a target placeable element.

25-43 (Canceled)